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SUBJECT: NEUES DEUTSCHLAND ARTICLE ON WASHINGTON POST STRIKE

1. UNDER A HEADLINE "NEWSPAPER BOSSES ESTABLISH A SCHOOL FOR STRIKE BREAKERS", NEUES DEUTSCHLAND OF JANUARY 6 PUBLISHES AN ARTICLE BY ITS WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT, HORST SCHAEFER, ACCUSING THE WASHINGTON POST OF TRAINING PERSONNEL DURING THE COURSE OF THE PAST TWO YEARS AT A "STRIKE BREAKER SCHOOL" IN OKLAHOMA CITY, AND UTILIZING THEM TO BREAK A STRIKE OF AROUND 300 OF ITS PRINTERS PROTESTING RELEASE OF 60 OF THEIR COLLEAGUES.

2. THE ARTICLE ALSO STATES THAT A MAJORITY OF THE UNION MEMBER JOURNALISTS OF THE WP HAD REFUSED TO SUPPORT THE PRINTERS' STRIKE AND QUOTES THE PRESIDENT OF THE JOURNALIST TRADE UNION, CHARLES PERLIK, JR., AS STATING THAT THEREBY THE SECTION OF HIS TRADE UNION AT THE WP HAD REDUCED ITSELF TO THE STATUS OF A "COMPANY UNION".

3. FINALLY, THE ARTICLE CITES A LETTER FROM "103 PROMINENT PERSONS, AMONG THEM MANY MEMBERS OF THE US CONGRESS, AS WELL AS THE MAYOR OF WASHINGTON", APPEALING

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TO THE WP AT LEAST TO MEET WITH THE STRIKERS, WHICH,

ALLEGEDLY, WAS "RUDELY REJECTED."

4. THE ARTICLE IS ILLUSTRATED BY A PICTURE OF "WORKERS
OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEMONSTRATING AGAINST THE
THREAT OF MASS FIRING", AND FOLLOWS THE CONSISTENT
PATTERN OF ND REPORTING ON THE U.S. ECONOMY.
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